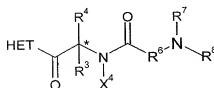


# ABSTRACT OF THE INVENTION

This invention is directed to methods for increasing or stimulating appetite in a patient which comprises administering certain growth hormone secretagogues, prodrugs thereof or pharmaceutically acceptable salts of said secretagogues or  
5 said prodrugs. More preferably, the present invention provides such methods wherein the growth hormone secretagogue is a compound of Formula I:



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a prodrug thereof or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt of said secretagogue or  
10 said prodrug.